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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the official action dated August 20, 2008 received in the patent application identified above, please amend the claims as indicated herein.